

## Message Text

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R 211336Z DEC 76  
FM AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 9604  
INFO AMEMBASSY DUBLIN  
AMEMBASSY LONDON  
AMEMBASSY MOSCOW  
AMEMBASSY VIENNA

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EXCON

E.O. 11652: NA  
TAGS: ESTC COCOM UK AU EI EU NL  
SUBJECT: US-ORIGIN COMPUTER EQUIPMENT TO USSR

REF: DUBLIN 2670

1. AT EARLY STAGE IN SUBJECT CASE WE CONSULTED WITH DUTCH  
EXCON AUTHORITIES ON POSSIBILITY OF HALTING SHIPMENT SHOULD  
IT TRANSIT SCHIPHOL. THEY ARE WILLING TO COOPERATE, BUT  
DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE AWARE OF LEGAL TECHNICALITY WHICH  
COULD MAKE EFFECTIVE ACTION DIFFICULT.

2. ACCORDING TO OUR CONTACT, DUTCH AUTHORITY TO SEIZE  
GOODS DEPENDS ON COUNTRY OF ORIGIN (LAND VAN HERKOMST)  
BEING COCOM OR COOPERATING COUNTRY. LEGAL INTERPRETATION  
AND PRACTICE DEFINE COUNTRY OF ORIGIN AS THAT WHERE GOODS  
FIRST RECEIVED THEIR ULTIMATE DESTINATION. DUTCH WERE  
WILLING TO ACCEPT THAT ULTIMTE DESTINATION OF MOSCOW WAS  
ACQUIRED IN LONDON. UK RELEASE OF GOODS COULD BRING  
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THIS INTO QUESTION AND WEAKEN CASE FOR SEIZING GOODS,  
SHOULD THEY TRANSIT NETHERLLANDS.

3. SHOULD IRISH AUTHORITIES MOVE TO RELEASE SHIPMENT,  
WE WILL NEED EARLIEST POSSIBLE NOTIFICATION AND GOOD  
EVIDENCE TO PROVIDE DUTCH WITH LEGAL BASIS TO INTERVENE.

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